

June 2nd, 2023 12:00pm-2:00pm Legislative Meeting

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Legislative Meeting of the Associated Students of Norco College

- I. Call to Order: 12:04pm, Chaired by Makenna Ashcraft
- II. Roll Call:
 - a. Legislature (Voting)

ASNC Advisor – Dr. Edwin Romero

President of the Associated Students of Norco College – Makenna Ashcraft

Vice President of Administration – Jacob Nkwamba

Senator of Administration – Dustin Duke Absent

Senator of Administration – Justin Grimes

Senator of Administration – Sabrina Rioseco

Vice President of Finance – Aneesa Kashif

Senator of Finance – Carlos Medina

Senator of Finance – Allyson Lopez Absent

Senator of Finance – Andrea Rodriguez Absent

Vice President of Campus Activities – Romi Mathews

Senator of Campus Activities – Daniela Portillo

Senator of Campus Activities – Ezichi Emerueh

Senator of Campus Activities – Uchenna Emerueh

Vice President of Campus Relations – Lino Leon

Senator of Campus Relations – Aidan Godoy

Senator of Campus Relations – Desiree Valdez

Senator of Campus Relations – Fabian Orozco

Vice President of Campus Organizations – Bryan Morales

Senator of Campus Organizations – Josh Oliveros

Senator of Campus Organizations – John Thehumury

b. Student Representatives (Non-Voting)

Representative of Administration – Victor Mataele

Representative of Finance – Anmol Ouraishi

Representative of Finance – Inava Kamal

Representative of Activities – Shara Williams

Representative of Campus Relations – Alberto Flores

Representative of Campus Relations – Jocelyn Olivia

Representative of Campus Organizations – Luis Quezada

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Representative of Campus Organizations – Nolan Maddox

III. Approval of Minutes: May 12th, 2023

Motioned: Carlos Seconded: Sabrina Passed by Consensus

IV. Announcements/Comments from the Public:

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Seeing none, the chair moved to old business.

V. Old Business:

Note: No Supporting Documents were submitted unless otherwise noted.

Sen.04.28.06 Approval of the 2023-2024 ASNC Budget Motion Author: Aneesa Kashif (Discussion & Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College shall discuss and vote to approve the ASNC budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

• Motion: John

• Second: Uchenna

The Secretary would like to clarify that the minutes of this item are a continuation of discussions from the previous meeting held on May 19th, 2023.

Aneesa began the discussion by relaying to the Legislature Stem Club's request of an additional \$2,500 to its budget, while Athletics has no specific desires, but wishes that it be taken into consideration in the discussions. Romero additionally requests \$5,000 be allocated to scholarships. Aneesa thus makes the motion, seconded by Lino, to take \$2,500 from Executive Contingencies and allocate it to Stem. Bryan asked how much was left in Executive Contingencies, with Aneesa replying that after considering the ASNC's other obligations, that there is about \$14,000 left in Executive Contingencies. The final vote is as follows on this motion.

14/0/2: the motion to allocate \$2,500 to Executive Contingencies passes.

The Legislature then moved to the Athletics Department's request for reevaluation, asking that at least \$1,500 be allocated to Mens and Women's soccer each. Aneesa notes that the Athletics Department has in the past requested increases to its budget, but has never bothered advocating for them. Jacob adds that the increase in Rocketry's budget should also be considered. Makenna then notes that budget request from Rocketry are seldom -made, and that Rocketry has been making strides to be self-sustaining in its resource acquisition. No motion or voting took place on this item.

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The Legislature then moved to Romero's request of an additional \$5,000 to be allocated to Scholarships. Aneesa then makes the motion, seconded by Carlos, to take such monies from Executive Contingencies. On funding the item, discussion moved to the definition of Student Employment, where Lino asked why it was changed from its previous definition student employees who work under the Athletics. Aneesa replied that it was to also include those employees who worked under Athletics, but that it is no longer defined as such to include them. At this point Makenna moved the discussion back to the item itself. Here, Jacob asked how much was left in the Scholarships account, to which Romero replied that as the ASNC does not have direct access to it and so only a ballpark answer could be given. The discussion then returned to the student employees account, with Jacob asking the difference between Athletics and Student employees, with Romero replyi8ung that Athletics student employees are overseen by the Dean of Student Life rather than himself. Lino then asks whether Jacob could make the motion to use the left-over money from cutting the Athletics employees and allocating it towards the Athletics department. Uchenna asks whether employment was budgeted for fall and summer, with Romero saying yes, and was about four students in total. Jacob moves, seconded by Aneesa, to call the question.

14/3/2: the motion to take \$5,000 from Student Employees and allocate it toward scholarships passes, with Jacob, Sabrina and Uchenna against.

Jacob moves, with the objection of Lino, that take \$5,000 from Basic Needs to allocate towards Student Employees, with the motion dying for lack of a second. Jacob then moves to take the money from Activities instead, to which Romi replies that all of Activities' money is spent by the end of the fiscal year, so strongly advises against it. The motion is seconded by Lino. Ezichi further adds that the events that Activities hosts is basically the only manner in which students interact with the ASNC, and so cutting its budget would not be advisable. The Legislature moved to voting.

2/15/0: with only Jacob and Lino voting in favor, the motion to take \$5,000 from Activities fails.

Lino then moves to only take \$2,500 from Basic Needs towards Executive Contingencies, with Aneesa adding that Basic Needs was only cut because of it has has received grant funding. The motion was seconded by Jacob. Romero still notes that many activities from Basic Needs are still funded via its own budget. Justin, seconded by Lino, calls the question.

15/1/1: with opposition from Sabrina, the motion to take \$2,500 from Basic Needs toward Executive Contingencies was approved.

The Legislature then moves to the main motion as amended.

17/1/0: with opposition from Sabrina, the motion as amended passes.

The Legislature then hears a presentation from Kim Kamerin, who heads choir, and asks that the Legislature consider his program's needs. He says that it has been a long-standing desire that he could send the choir overseas, and says that previously they managed to get funding through a gala held by the district, but hat event has since been eliminated. He provides the Legislature a list of all the events that they hold, and informs them that the money that is given which is unspent goes back into the ASNC budget. At this, Kamerin has to leave due to time constraints. At this, Jacob moves to take \$2,500 from scholarships and conferences and field trips, and is seconded by Sabrina. Justin moves to call the question, and is seconded by Ezichi.

15/2/0: With opposition from Lino and Jacob, the motion to take \$2,500 from scholarships and conferences and field trips equally passes.

Justin then moves to change the definition of the Choir line item to declare that any unspent money in the choir budget will automatically roll into the next fiscal year, which is seconded by Lino.

10/2/0: with opposition from John and Ezichi, the motion passes.

John moves to take \$1,560 from diversity events, and is seconded by Lino. Jacob then makes the amendment to take the whole account, which is seconded by Lino, the Legislature moves to voting.

2/15/2: with John and Jacob in favor, the motion fails.

The legislature then moves to the main motion.

2/15/2: with only Jacob and John in favor, the motion fails.

The legislature then moves on to approve the budget, which passes unanimously.

Sen.05.19.01 Approval of a Petition to the Board of Trustees to Empower a Committee the Amend the ASNC's Constitution

Motion Author: Justin Grimes

(Discussion & Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College shall discuss and vote on a petition to the RCCD Board of Trustees to empower a committee to amend the amendment process of the Constitution to increase the process' flexibility.

Supporting Documents:

1. <u>Draft Petition to the Board of Trustees, to be Signed by the President Upon Approval</u>

Justin notes that the amendment process to the ASNC's Constitution makes it difficult for it to be flexible in its operations. Makenna notes that while this is true, we must think about making sure we are accountable to students if ever such a petition is accepted. The Legislature moved to voting.

6/7/2: the motion fails

Sen.05.19.02 Approval of up to \$23,000 from the ASNC Reserves to Purchase a Book Scanner for the Norco Library

Motion Authors: Hayley Ashby, Justin Grimes, Makenna Ashcraft & Miguel Castro (Discussion & Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College shall discuss and vote on the approval of a book scanner for the Wilfred J. Airey Library to provide PDF or EPUB scans of textbooks to students to meet their needs for class and reduce their textbook costs, with the added benefit of the library digitizing its inventory to make it more accessible to students.

Supporting Documents:

- 1. Quotation from the Scanner Company Scantastik on Cost of Scanner
 - 2. PowerPoint Presentation on & in Support of Scanner

Justin presented to the Legislature the scanner for which he advocates. He said the scanner will be most helpful to those students who have a hard time affording their books and notes further it will be helpful to those students whose aid is not yet ready for them. Sabrina asked about what happens if one wants to scan a book and it is not available in the course reserves. Justin replied that such issues are a matter of logistics, and that the library can simply purchase more copies if it needs them. The legislature then moved to voting. 14/1/0: with Ezichi opposed, the motion passes.

VI. New Business:

Note: No Supporting Documents were submitted unless otherwise noted.

Sen.06.02.01 Approval of up to \$7,000 From Executive Contingencies (92199) to Fund the Rugby Scrum Machine

Motion Author: Jacob Nkwamba (Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco college shall vote on whether to approve funding for a scrum machine for the Norco College Ruby Team, as discussed in its April 28th meeting, and as specified the (Sen.04.28.06) agenda item.

• Motion: Jacob

Second Lino

Aneesa makes the motion, seconded by Carlos, to take \$4,969 and \$2,030.77 from conferences and field trips and scholarships, which passes by consensus. Jacob notes that the budget proposed already takes into account storage costs. The Legislature moved to voting.

15/0/2: the motion passes

Sen.06.02.02 Final Confirmation of Amendments to the Election and Ethics Codes of the Bylaws Motion Author: Justin Grimes

(Discussion & Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College shall discuss and vote to approve the revised version of the Bylaws, with the amendments it passed previously to the Ethics Codes applying to the Campus Organizations and Finance Committees, and the inclusion of a hyperlink on a certain portion of the text.

Supporting Documents:

1. Final Version of the Bylaws with Approved Amendments & Hyperlink

The Secretary notes that no minutes besides a vote tally exist for this item, which passed the item unanimously.

Sen.06.02.03 Adoption of A Resolution Requesting More Space for the Disability Resource Center Motion Author: Lino Leon (Discussion & Action Item)

The Associated Students of Norco College shall discuss and vote on whether to adopt a resolution as written resolving the ASNC to advocate for more space for the Disability Resource Center (DRC) in which it can conduct its activities.

Supporting Documents:

1. Draft Text of the Resolution

Lino explains that the DRC serves over 500 students, and does not have enough space to fully assist them, thus they have had to ask counselors to give up space to provide them services. The Legislature moved to voting, passing the Resolution unanimously.

VII. ASNC Advisor Report

Romero looks forward to seeing everyone at the ASNC Banquet.

VIII. Executive/Committee Reports

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President: Makenna announces that the ASNC spent over \$700,000 dollars, and is proud of the work the ASNC has done.

Finance: Aneesa thanks the members of the finance committee for a productive year.

Activities: Romi professes her love for the ASNC, and thanks them for their work.

Relations: Lino thanks the ASNC for its work, and for helping to become a better person. He also informs them to sign the ASNC Yearbook.

Organizations: Bryan thanks the ASNC for it work and dedication to its activities.

IX. For the Good of the Order/Announcements/Comments from the Public:

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The chair, seeing none, adjourned the meeting.

X. Adjournment: 2:44pm